

Snowdonia National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 28 Apr 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 29 Apr 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 27 Apr 2023 at 15:47

Confidence: High initially for the unsettled and transition to milder conditions. Low confidence for the timing, detail and extent of showers over the weekend.

Headline for Friday 28 Apr 2023: Cloudy with outbreaks of rain and drizzle at first. Becoming drier and brighter in the afternoon. Breezy on the summits and feeling cold.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 28 Apr 2023

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

Medium Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

Low Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Heavy Rain	Light rain	Fog	Fog	Fog	Fog	Fog	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
80%	60%	40%	40%	20%	10%	10%	10%

Forecast for Friday 28 Apr 2023

Weather: Rain is expected to turn light and patchy overnight and into Friday morning. Extensive low cloud on the summits, with mist and fog in the valleys. Rain will gradually clear away to the east by midday, with the low cloud slowly lifting and breaking to give occasional bright or sunny spells by late-afternoon and early evening. Extensive low cloud reforming after dark.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 10% early and late, improving to 40% during the day, but may linger on some northern and western upslopes throughout the day.

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive low cloud, with bases down to 200-300m during the morning and after dusk, with visibility poor or very poor in low cloud and drizzle. Visibility improving to good during daylight hours. Low cloud and fog perhaps lingering throughout the day on some northern and western upslopes.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	22/26 SE	16/20 W	19/24 W	18/24 NW	16/22 W	13/19 W	11/16 SW	11/15 SW	9/12 S
600	15/19 SE	11/15 W	12/17 NW	13/19 NW	13/18 W	10/16 W	11/16 SW	10/14 S	10/14 S
300	9/17 SE	7/13 W	8/14 W	9/15 NW	9/14 W	7/12 W	7/12 SW	6/12 S	7/12 S
Valley	10/18 SE	7/13 W	8/14 W	9/15 NW	9/14 NW	7/11 W	7/11 SW	7/13 S	7/13 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	6/2	6/2	6/1	6/1	6/2	7/3	7/4	6/3	6/4
600	8/4	8/5	7/4	7/4	8/5	9/6	9/6	8/6	8/6
300	10/8	9/7	8/6	9/7	10/8	11/10	11/9	10/8	9/8
Valley	10/8	10/8	9/7	10/8	11/9	12/11	12/11	10/9	10/8
Freezing Level*	2200m	2100m	2000m	1900m	1800m	1900m	2000m	2000m	2000m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Meteorologist's View

Difficult navigational conditions are likely early in the day, with extensive low cloud and drizzle at times. Waterproofs may become soaked in rain and drizzle. Surfaces may be slippery, therefore suitable footwear is advised.

Forecast for Saturday 29 Apr 2023

Weather: Extensive low cloud with patchy light drizzle overnight and early morning will gradually ease, with the low cloud lifting and breaking to give some bright or occasional sunny spells by the afternoon. However, the clouds will bubble up to give some showers, these locally heavy and possibly thundery in the afternoon, especially towards the east of the Park. Feeling warm in the sunshine, especially in the valleys. Any showers fading by the evening, with low cloud reforming on the summits.

Maximum wind: South to southwesterly 5-10mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20% early and late, improving to 80% during daylight hours.

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive low cloud, with bases down to 200-300m at first, lifting to above the summits by midday, especially in the north and east. Low cloud reforming after dark, down to 200-300m on southern upslopes, with mist and fog patches forming in the valleys.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 4 Celsius, becoming Plus 17 Celsius.

At 800m: Plus 5 Celsius, becoming Plus 8 Celsius.

Freezing level: Above the summits.

Ground Conditions Supplement

Please see - <https://snowdonia.gov.wales/visit/snowdon/yr-wyddfa-ground-conditions-reports/>

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